Decision Tree for Frail Elders with Co-Morbidities

Does the person meet the frail elder definition?

a) Has a long-term care condition.
<u>and</u>
b) Has a physical disability, or an irreversible dementia, that restricts the individuals ability to perform normal daily tasks or that threatens the capacity of the individual to live independently.

YES

NO

Do not mark target group on screen

Check a corresponding diagnosis box before moving on.

Does the person have a co-morbidity (Mental health or drug and/or alcohol abuse diagnosis)

NO

YES

Re-evaluate the following against criteria **b)** above.

Are the ADL deficits noted due to significant physical conditions/organic brain damage requiring physical assistance or adaptive equipment to complete?

and/or

Are the IADL deficits noted due to physical incapacity/ organic brain damage of person to perform them?

and/or

Does the person need help with medications related to a physical condition/organic brain damage that if not taken as directed would be life threatening/result in severe disability (i.e. Insulin for diabetes, medication for high blood pressure to prevent strokes, or medications to prevent blood clots - NOT medication for mental health issues)?

and/or

Are the person's behaviors related to a "Physical" condition/organic brain damage such as dementia or stroke?

and/or

Are the person's HRS needs such as medication management related to a physical condition/organic brain damage such as MS/ALS/emphysema/dementia?

YES

NO

Check The Frail Elder Target Group

Do <u>Not</u> Check The Frail Elder Target Group